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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the attached PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

REMARKS

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application Nos. 9-114741, 6-60235, 2000-510986, 2000-155715, 2001-100982, 07-152837, and 11-065938 were cited in a Japanese Official Action of a counterpart foreign application corresponding to the

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above-referenced application. A copy of the Official Action is enclosed. English-language Abstracts for each Japanese document were obtained from a commercial database and are also enclosed.

FEE STATEMENT

Applicants submit herewith the \$180.00 Information Disclosure Statement fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency in payment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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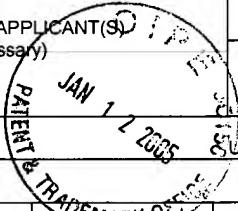
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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
	2001-100982	04/13/2001	Japan			Abstract
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	11-065938	03/09/1999	Japan			Abstract
	9-114741	05/02/1997	Japan			Abstract
	07-152837	06/16/1995	Japan			Abstract
	6-60235	03/04/1994	Japan			Abstract

## OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)


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